

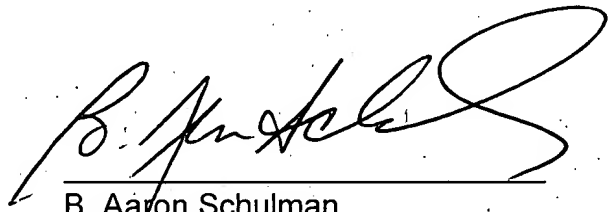
**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.821**

Applicants hereby certify in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f) that the content of the enclosed paper sequence listing and computer readable form of the sequence listing are the same. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.821(g), Applicants hereby certify that the enclosed submission contains no new matter.

In light of the foregoing, it is submitted that all prior objections have been overcome, and that the present application should be examined and passed on to allowance at the earliest possible time.

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